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Tom is taking the month off....



Hello Corvette Enthusiasts:

I want to personally thank the Paddock's, Walsh's, Hanson's, Kreger's, Ennor's, Kraiters, Blaylock's, Julie Hughes, Ron Hostetler, Buzz Blogg and Stan Czerniak & Shannon Wright for representing the club at the Wine Country Cruise-In. The weather, food, beverage and venue to show our Corvettes to the community was awesome. Several people stopped to ask questions from colors to horse power. Owners of corvettes from the Jefferson and Albany area were interested in our club, date and time we meet.

July 20th is Jacket Night, sponsored by the Manrubia's and we will meet between 5:30 and 5:45 at Walery's Pizza Parking Lot in West Salem, cruising to Murphy's Bar and Grill , 288 E. Ellendale, Dallas, OR. Mark your calendar for the club Pot Luck Picnic August 7th, at the Stark's. Watch your email for details.

July and August are usually great months for Show and Shines throughout the Northwest. Please find a list of upcoming shows and websites for detailed information. If you have information about other shows please email information, riburg49@gmail.com and I will add to the website. July 8 – 10th, TCC Shadow of the Mountain, Leavenworth, WA. Tacomacorvette.com. July 9th, Caffeine & Gasoline, Eurasia Café @ Peoples Church, 4500 Lancaster Drive N.E. , Salem, 7:30 – 10:00 a.m. July 15 – 16th, Corvettes On The Desert, Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond, OR *(Continued last page)*

Glass Sass is published monthly; the deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month. Club meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM at Capitol Auto Group, our sponsor. The address is 2855 Maple Ave NE, Salem, Oregon 97301. We welcome all Corvette enthusiasts and prospective members at any of our meetings. The Willamette Valley Corvette Association, Inc., was organized in 1968 to create an esprit-de-corps among Corvette owners; to further the general interest in Corvettes as a sports car; to provide an organization for the exchange of technical information between Corvette owners, dealers and the manufacturer; to encourage skillful handling and safe driving; to provide social gatherings of Corvette owners with a common interest; to encourage and assist members to compete in sanctioned events sponsored by WVCA and by other clubs with similar interests, and to encourage dealer/club co-operation and promote community betterment.

Visit our website for more current information regarding our Club activities and events:

<http://www.willamettevalleycorvettes.com>

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Willamette Valley **CORVETTE** Association

July 7th 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by President Tom Paddock.

Number of members present: 30

Number of guests present: 2

Guests: Jim Jacks 1982 CE

Gary Lettman 1962 Red Convertible

July Birthdays: 7/2 Sue Fine, 7/6 Dan Anderson, 7/8 Ron Cota, 7/9 Sharon Morgan and Henry Salvatori.

Treasurer's Report: June Checking Balance \$4,947.40.

June Money Market Balance \$3,209.41.

Motion to accept the June Treasurer Report was put forth by Gene Kraiter seconded by Julie Hughes and passed without opposition.

Motion to accept the minutes was put forth by Gene Kraiter, seconded by Julie Hughes and passed without opposition.

Past Events:

June Jacket night hosted by the Tiano's was at Buster's BBQ in Tualatin, everyone caravanned up from Salem and enjoyed great food, good company and Maryanne Burgess getting a happy birthday song in ITALIAN.

Current Events:

- 7/9 Valley Catholic School will have a cruise in to benefit the Salvation Army.
- 7/20 is July Jacket Night hosted by the Manrubias. We will go to Murphy's in Dallas. Everyone is to meet at Walery's at 5:45 to leave at 6.
- 8/7 at 2pm is our annual picnic/potluck at the Stark's. Please contact Shelly Paddock to sign up and let her know what you plan on bringing to share with everyone.
- 8/17 is August Jacket Night hosted by the Edwards, more information to follow.
- 8/20 is the Lion's cruise in in Independence.
- 8/27 is the President's Run hosted by Tom Paddock. It will be a long day of driving with lunch at a mystery location.

The Elegants will host the September Jacket Night on 9/21. It will be at Aspenwall's Hwy 22 Café, they are opening the restaurant just for us, it seats about 30. There will be a limited menu, John will have more information at our August meeting.

Old Business: The t-shirt order has not been received at this time, Shelly will call individuals when it does come in to arrange a pick up if they don't want to wait until our next get together. Henry Salvatori and Dave Hanson inquired about adding to the order, Shelly will call tomorrow to check.

New Business:

Elections Nomination Committee: Wayne Kreger has agreed to chair this committee. All 4 Board positions need to be filled. He will contact people about serving on this committee with him. At the August and September meeting a nomination list will be presented and nominations will be accepted from the floor. October meeting is the vote, Awards Banquet is induction and November meeting is when the new Board takes over.

Dues: The 2015-2016 Budget included raising dues from \$30 to \$35 for an individual membership and from \$40 to \$50 for a couples membership, This will be included in the next newsletter, discussed and voted on at the August meeting.

Miscellaneous: Dave Walery has only been charging club members \$1 for an add-on salad bar. He is changing this to \$1 off salad bar for members.

Trivia: 1,000,000th Corvette was a white convertible; when did it come off the assembly line? Vikki Arck answered correctly with 1992 as the year, the date was 7/2/92. Additional trivia is that this was one of the cars to fall into the sinkhole and then be restored. When taken apart it was found to have been signed by numerous plant workers and only 1 signature could not be salvaged. The lady had retired and was located to redo her signature, she did at a ceremony to "re-install" the car at the Corvette Museum.

50/50 Drawing: Thank you Gene Kraiter for collecting \$61. \$31 to the club, Jim Jacks drew Ken Arck for \$15 and Gary Lettman drew Tim Walsh for \$15.

Adjourn at 7:15pm **Respectfully submitted by Shelly Paddock – 7/8/2016**

WVCA Officer Nominations

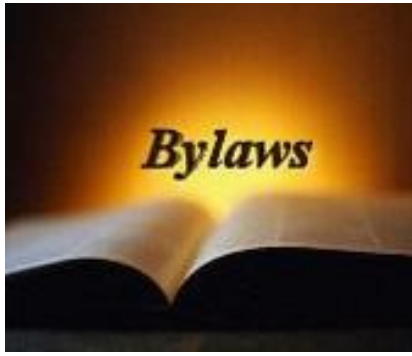
Dear Members.

In a few days a member of the nominating committee will contact you to seek your desire to serve as an officer of the Club. The duties of each position are spelled out in the WVCA Constitution and By-Laws. To read these go to the WVCA Web Site and Log On. Click on the Member Resources at the top of the Home page to open to member only information. Under the WVCA Constitution and By-Law icon click on the Constitution and By-Law to bring up each of the documents.

The main goal of the WVCA is to have fun with a Club of Members that love their Corvettes as much as you do. FUN is the operative word and with that in mind while each of the officer positions is important it is not over whelming. You will meet as a board once a month prior to the general meeting to plan the agenda.

A special thanks to Pat Ennor, Kay Hanson, Janet Kreger, Shelly Paddock, and Ann Salvatori for volunteering to serve on the Nominating Committee. A very special thanks to all of you that consented to become nominees to serve as 2016-17 Officers of the WVCA.

Wayne Kreger



Proposed change to WVCA By Laws:

This is part of the process to change the WVCA By Laws for

Section 5.2 DUES which currently states:

- B. A family membership will be assessed \$40 annually.
- C. A single membership will be assessed \$30 annually.

The new Section 5.2 DUES would be changed as follows:

- B. A family membership will be assessed \$50 annually.
- C. A single membership will be assessed \$35 annually.

There will be discussion and vote about these changes at the August membership meeting.

Chevrolet prices budget-Z06 2017 Corvette Grand Sport from \$66,445

Big Bowtie's midrange sports car will go on sale this summer in both coupe and convertible variants.

When Chevrolet pulled off the cover on its Grand Sport, we were excited to see a solid middle grounder that will exist between the base [Stingray](#) and the super-hot [Z06](#). In essence, the [Grand Sport](#) is a Z06 without that pesky supercharger. Now, we have an idea of what it will cost to take one home.

The Grand Sport will debut in showrooms this summer with a price tag of \$66,445 for coupes and \$70,445 for convertibles. That amounts to about \$14,000 less than a Z06 and about \$11,000 more than the Stingray, so it's splitting the difference almost exactly.

For that money, you'll get a whole bunch of Z06-caliber kit, including suspension components, brakes, tire and body upgrades, but it'll hide the same 460-horsepower V-8 under the Stingray's hood. 0-60mph is estimated at 3.6 seconds, and the quarter mile should fly by in 11.8 seconds at 118 mph. The standard transmission is a seven-speed manual with automatic rev matching.

If you want to give your Grand Sport a little panache, you can outfit the [car](#) with the Heritage Package, which includes those hash-mark stripes on the fender and on the interior's aluminum trim. A collector's edition will also be offered, with a black-on-gray motif and full-length stripes. ([cnet.com](#))

Griot's Garage Car Care Tips: How to prevent swirl marks

A common mistake when using a drying towel is rubbing hard on the paint to remove remaining contaminants. This drives the dirt into your paint, causing micro scratches (and maybe some not-so-micro scratches). If dirty spots are stubborn enough to resist washing, follow up with some speed detailer or a shot of waterless spray-on car wash. These products soften and lift contaminants, allowing you to safely whisk light dirt away from your paint. We highly recommend using high quality microfiber towels. Another scenario that may require enhanced lubricity is when too much time passes between the final rinse and drying. In this case, a quick re-rinse is in order.

In some cases, a full rewash of the area may be necessary. If you are having a hard time working the grunge out, consider a microfiber wash mitt with a textured surface that roots out the dirt while still safeguarding the finish. If bug jerky, bird droppings, or tree sap are the culprits, you may also need to use a purpose-made bug and smudge remover to punch up your cleaning power.

Bottom line: The drying process is for drying, not eradicating that last remnant of dirt or grime. Stay swirl-free!

Wheel Care

After washing your wheels, apply some wax or sealant to the surface. This will protect the painted surface from contaminants and make it easier to clean the next time you have a car wash therapy session. Be sure you use a non-abrasive wax or sealant and that your wheels are painted and or clear coated before you apply a product. Wax is also safe to use on chrome wheels too!

This tip brought to you by Griot's Garage . Car Care for the Perfectionist!

Wax/polishing

The terms "polish" and "wax" are often misused. Polishing is the use of an abrasive substance, rubbed over paint by hand or with a machine, to remove oxidized paint or take the surface of scratched paint down to the bottom of the scratch, thus removing the scratch. Always start with the least abrasive polish available and work in small areas, inspecting your work as you go. After polishing, wax your vehicle with a non-abrasive protectant.

Aside from using a car cover, waxing your car is the best protection you can provide for your paint. Provided you use a quality wax that does not contain an abrasive. A quality, carnauba wax can actually hide tiny swirl marks, and towel scratches while increasing paint depth, clarity and color. Carnauba wax comes from the Brazilian plant, *Copernicia erifera*, which is farmed for its vegetable-fat wax. It coats the leaves of the plant and swells when wet, allowing water to run into the root area. When dry, its pores open up allowing the plant, and your paint, to breathe.

In its raw form, carnauba is rock hard. Apply wax with a soft foam pad and work in small areas, moving back and forth or round and round. Allow the wax to set up and dry so it forms the protective barrier. Remove wax with a 100% cotton cloth or soft, high grade, microfiber cloth. Never use old towels, T-shirts or diapers as these items are stitched with polyester threads that can scratch paint. Wipe gently, turn the cloth frequently, and if the wax is hard to remove, spritz a little water on the area to soften the wax.



Corvette Trivia continued from last month

1980

The first time to be computer controlled was the 1980 (305 cubic inch) California Corvettes.

The first Corvette that a speedometer had an 85 MPH top speed was the 1980 Corvette.

1981

All Corvette became computer equipped

Optional Corvettes were not offered in 1981.

1981 Corvettes were provided with two cooling fans that could increase engine power.

The production of 1981 Corvettes were in Bowling Green and St. Louis.

1981 St. Louis Corvettes were painted with Lacquer, while cars from Bowling Green were painted enamel.

1982

The Corvette came with fuel injection for the first time in 17 years.

The fuel injection for 1982 was 'cross fire injection' (manifold) injection NOT tuned port.

The Cross Fire Injection was used in 1982 and 1984 it was replaced with Tuned Port in 1985.

1982, You could not order a standard shift transmission for the first time since 1955.

A pop-up rear hatch window was offered but only on the Collector's edition.

The bolt on wheel was re-introduced in 1982 it is similar to the 1967 wheel.

6,759 Collector Edition Corvettes were manufactured.

The last year of ordering an 8 track player.

1983

There were only 43 Corvettes built, but many quality control problems occur so it was decided to close down production.

No 1983 Corvettes were ever released for public sale.

When the problems has been solved, GM decided to present the car as an 84 model.

It was said that all 1983 Corvettes were destroyed, only one remains and was displayed in the National Corvette Museum in Kentucky.

1984

The first to have the traverse single leaf 'plastic' spring suspension.

The 1984 model had the searing windshield rake angle of any previous American production automobile at 64 degrees.

1985

1985 launch the Bosch Tune Port Injection (TPI) which can improve the fuel economy and could increase the performance and horsepower.

The last year to order the factory CB Radio.

1986

All 1986 Convertibles were Indy Pace cars and were distributed with the pace car decal package.

The first official record that of 20 Corvettes that has been sent to Lotus in England for conversion into LT5 powered prototypes for the ZR1 project.

The Malcolm Konner Special Edition with a 4 speed manual transmission could be ordered in 1986.

Only 4 units were being ordered with a Copper Metallic exterior color, it was the least popular exterior color.

1987

The first time, a 6 way power seats could be ordered.

\$19,995 the cost for the 1987 option RPO B2K.

16 exterior colors were presented for 1982 and 1987 Corvettes, the highest number of color offered in the history of Corvette.

1988

Corvette's 35th Anniversary.

2,050 35th Anniversary Edition Corvettes were built and all were white Coupes with white wheels, leather interior and special emblems.

In preparation for the SCCA Corvette Challenge Series, GM built 56 race cars, all were street-legal.

Unidirectional 17" wheel were introduced.

1989

Production of the ZR-1 started, there were 80 units built, but none were sold to the public.

Introduction of the FX3 adjustable suspension option.

9,749 Convertibles were distributed.

The ZF-6 speed manual transmission was first introduced.

(Continued from front page) sponsored by High Desert Corvettes (<http://www.Highdesertcorvettes.org>). This is a nice event with proceeds going to a great charity. Our club has been invited to: Vettes Helping Vets HQ. July 31st, Albany, OR, Registration from 9:30 – 12:30, Entry Fee \$15.00, with all proceeds going to Vettes Helping Vets H.Q., a non-profit. August 6th, 2016 Oregon International Airshow Car Show and Shine, 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Entry Fee \$20.00. Registration maybe closed. For information contact: Mark.wickham@craftbrew.com. August 20th, Central Lions Club Cruise-In, Riverview Park & Amphitheater, Independence, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Entry Fee \$20.00. Contact, Kathy Zehner, 503-689-2126, centrallionsclub36R@gmail.com.

“Save The Wave” Roger

There’s the usual way of modding and then there is Stan’s...WOW!!!



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